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Dated: November 20, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Meeting of the Ocean Research Advisory Panel

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ocean Research Advisory Panel (ORAP) will meet to discuss National Oceanographic Partnership Program (NOPP) activities. All sessions of the meeting will remain open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 6, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. In order to maintain the meeting time schedule, members of the public will be limited in their time to speak to the Panel. Members of the public should submit their comments one week in advance of the meeting to the meeting Point of Contact.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Jurys Washington Hotel, 1500 New Hampshire Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Melbourne G. Briscoe, Office of Naval Research, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, VA 22217-5660, telephone: (703) 696-4120.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice of open meeting is provided in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The purpose of this meeting is to discuss NOPP activities. The meeting will include discussions on ocean observations, current and future NOPP activities, and other current issues in the ocean sciences community.

Dated: November 25, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 2, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Melanie Kadlic, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address Melanie_Kadlic@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: November 25, 2003.

Angela C. Arrington,

Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Institute of Education Sciences

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: PEQIS Survey on Dual Enrollment Programs and Courses for High School Students.

Frequency: One time.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 10,518.

Burden Hours: 7,889.

Abstract: The Postsecondary Education Quick Information System (PEQIS) is for surveys that are quick turnaround, short and policy relevant. The surveys go to colleges, universities and other postsecondary institutions. This survey will go to 1,600 institutions to determine whether they offer dual enrollment for high school students in which these students can earn college credit while they are still enrolled in high school. Among the issues to be addressed are whether students are allowed to enroll in individual classes or whether institutions offer dual enrollment programs, where the classes are offered and who teaches them.

Requests for copies of the submission for OMB review; comment request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 2419. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or to the e-mail address vivan.reese@ed.gov. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Kathy Axt at her e-mail address Kathy.Axt@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office

of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 2, 2004.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: November 25, 2003.

Angela C. Arrington,

Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Vocational and Adult Education

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Vocational Technical Education Annual Performance and Financial Reports.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 54.

Burden Hours: 5,400.

Abstract: The information contained in the Consolidated Annual Performance Report for Vocational Technical Education is needed to monitor State performance of the activities and services funded under the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998. The respondents include eligible agencies in 54 states and insular areas. This revision clarifies instructions and definitions and eliminates the collection of some data elements.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 2420. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or to the e-mail address vivian_reese@ed.gov. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Sheila Carey at her e-mail address Sheila.Carey@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Energy Technology Laboratory; Notice of Availability of a Financial Assistance Funding Opportunity Announcement

AGENCY: National Energy Technology Laboratory, Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of availability of a financial assistance funding opportunity announcement.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the intent to issue Financial Assistance Funding Announcement No. DE-PS26-04NT42023-0 entitled, "Development of

Technologies and Capabilities for Developing Coal Energy Resources."

The Department of Energy (DOE), National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL), is conducting this funding opportunity announcement to competitively seek cost-shared applications for research and development of technologies enabling development of energy resources needed to ensure the availability of affordable energy for the Nation's future. Through this funding opportunity announcement, DOE/NETL seeks applications for energy research and development related activities that promote the efficient and sound production and use of fossil fuel (coal). Related information on the Fossil Energy Areas of Interest can be found on the NETL Web site (<http://www.netl.doe.gov>) under "Technologies."

DATES: The funding opportunity announcement will be available on the "Industry Interactive Procurement System" (IIPS) webpage located at <http://e-center.doe.gov> on or about November 21, 2003. Applicants can obtain access to the funding opportunity announcement from the address above or through DOE/NETL's Web site at <http://www.netl.doe.gov/business>. The deadline for submission of applications will be February 24, 2004, not later than 8 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: Questions and comments regarding the content of the announcement should be submitted through the "Submit Question" feature of IIPS at <http://e-center.doe.gov>. Locate the announcement on IIPS and then click on the "Submit Question" button at the top. Enter required information. DOE will try to respond to a question within 3 days, unless a similar question and answer have already been posted on the website. You will receive an electronic notification that your question has been answered.

Responses to questions may be viewed through the "View Questions" feature. If no questions have been answered, a statement to that effect will appear. You should periodically check "View Questions" for new questions and answers.

Questions regarding how to submit questions or view responses can be e-mailed to the IIPS Help Desk at helpdesk@pr.doe.gov or by calling 1-800-683-0751.

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